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RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

The Office Action Summary, mailed December 31, 2002, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire January 31, 2003, requires restriction to a specific specie under 35 U.S.C. §121.

Applicants elect 3,3'bis(phenylsulfonyl)-4,4'-dihydroxydiphenyl sulfone, which is Compound No. 38 in Table 1 and was stated in Example 1, Example 2, etc. The 3,3'bis(phenylsulfonyl)-4,4'-dihydroxydiphenyl sulfone is included in claims 1-3, 12-14, 16-18 and 28-30.

Very respectfully,

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application. 1.

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